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To: The State Board of Education

My name is Deszreen Mitchell. I live in Bridgeport, Connecticut. I am a teacher at the Stamford Excellence School for 2 years. I am strongly in favor of the expansion of the Stamford Excellence School grades, into the middle school and continue the full pre k- 8th grade program.

From day one, I have all positive experiences with the school community. My first impression was, everyone works as a team. I never felt I am working alone. The school realizes that in order for students to be successful, they have to invest in their teachers. There were frequent professional development classes, which help me to understand the culture of the school, what is expected of me and how I can improve my skills and knowledge. These professional development classes enhance my skills so that when I am planning, I consider the students' individual needs, and the end result all students meet the goal of the lesson taught and they all excel.

The school did a terrific job in educating the students to achieve academic excellence and to be ranked the highest performing school district in the State of Connecticut.

Stamford Excellence School has created an inviting environment which has allowed students to thrive both academically and socially. Many of our parents expressed that the school is doing a marvelous job in educating their children. They also emphasized that the teachers are caring and provide an ongoing learning program for the success of the students.

The teachers are dedicated to the students. They know their students very well, and therefore plan the curriculum to accommodate individual needs. Expanding the school would be a great advantage to the students, because the school would be preparing them to be successful in high school.

I am highly recommending the approval of this academic venture for our students which will give them a positive outlook for their academic future. You would have done the greatest service and justice to our students, parents and teachers.

Thank you,

Sincerely,

Deszreen Mitchell